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There was a representative attendance of those interested in football at a meeting held in the Y.M.C.A. Buildings last evening for the purpose of considering the advisability of forming an Association in Hongkong for the governance of the game. Mr. Frank Brown was voted to the chair.

Mr. A. Storrie, at whose instance the meeting was convened, said since the formation of the League, which had proved such a success, it had been thought desirable to establish a Football Association in the Colony. At the present time there was the Shield Competition and the League competition. The League members wanted to run things as far as possible amicably in the Colony, and did not want to be arranging games on the same day as Shield matches—in fact, they had been quite willing so far to stand aside for Shield fixtures. As to the necessity of establishing an association, he would point out that at present there was a rule in the Shield Competition giving the referee full power to punish any player for misconduct, but that did not stop the same player from taking part perhaps the very next day in a League game. Then what was wanted in the Colony was a body to govern football, because when they had two different bodies without any central authority they were bound to clash. The Association, too, would make it possible to form a Referees' Association so that they might examine referees and thus bring into existence an efficient body of referees, which at present they had not got, as they had to pick up men as they came along. During the past year there had been a certain amount of controversy as regards football in the Colony. They were sorry to see that one Club could not see its way clear to join the League, but since then they had all been very glad to hear that the Club fully intended joining next season. That would mean that they had everybody in the Colony in the League, except the Navy teams, who were not invited seeing that they had their own Leagues. But next year perhaps they would be able to arrange that matter. He was sure the Navy teams would like to join the Association, for the reason that if offences were committed against them the wrong-doers could be punished, as also could any of the Naval defaulters. It was certain that they must have a governing body in the Colony.

Quarter Master Sergeant Andrews, supporting the proposal, said there was one way in which the Association might aid football, and that was in the matter of grounds, which were at present very congested. They wanted another ground either on the island or at Kowloon, and if they had a powerful Association they could much better approach the Governor with a view to getting another piece of ground allotted for sport. An Association was absolutely necessary where they had a number of competitions and several clubs competing, for there were always little disputes respecting the laws and players cropping up. The Chairman, heartily approved the project, and added that they had everything to gain and nothing to lose by forming an Association. Hitherto the work in connection with football had to a great extent fallen on the Hongkong Club—not that they wanted it—and he was very glad now to see that in running the League there were a plenty of able workers belonging to other clubs. In a discussion which followed it was pointed out that all clubs joining the Association would be debarred from playing against Clubs not so affiliated unless they had the permission of the Association, which would certainly be given to Naval teams when visiting other ports. It was also stated that the Association would not be got into working order until next season. As to the question of funds, it was stated that there would be a financial difficulty of about \$5, while fines and part proceeds from charity matches would provide other sources of income. It was eventually decided that an Association be formed to be affiliated to the English Football Association, and that a meeting be convened of representatives from clubs wishing to join for the purpose of drawing up a set of rules, etc. Mr. A. Storrie was elected hon. secretary.

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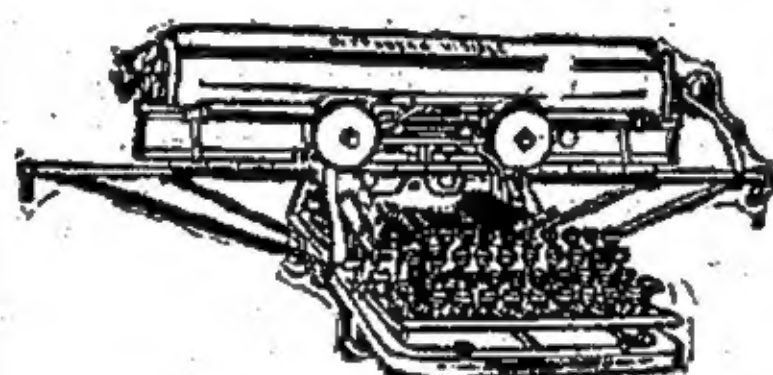
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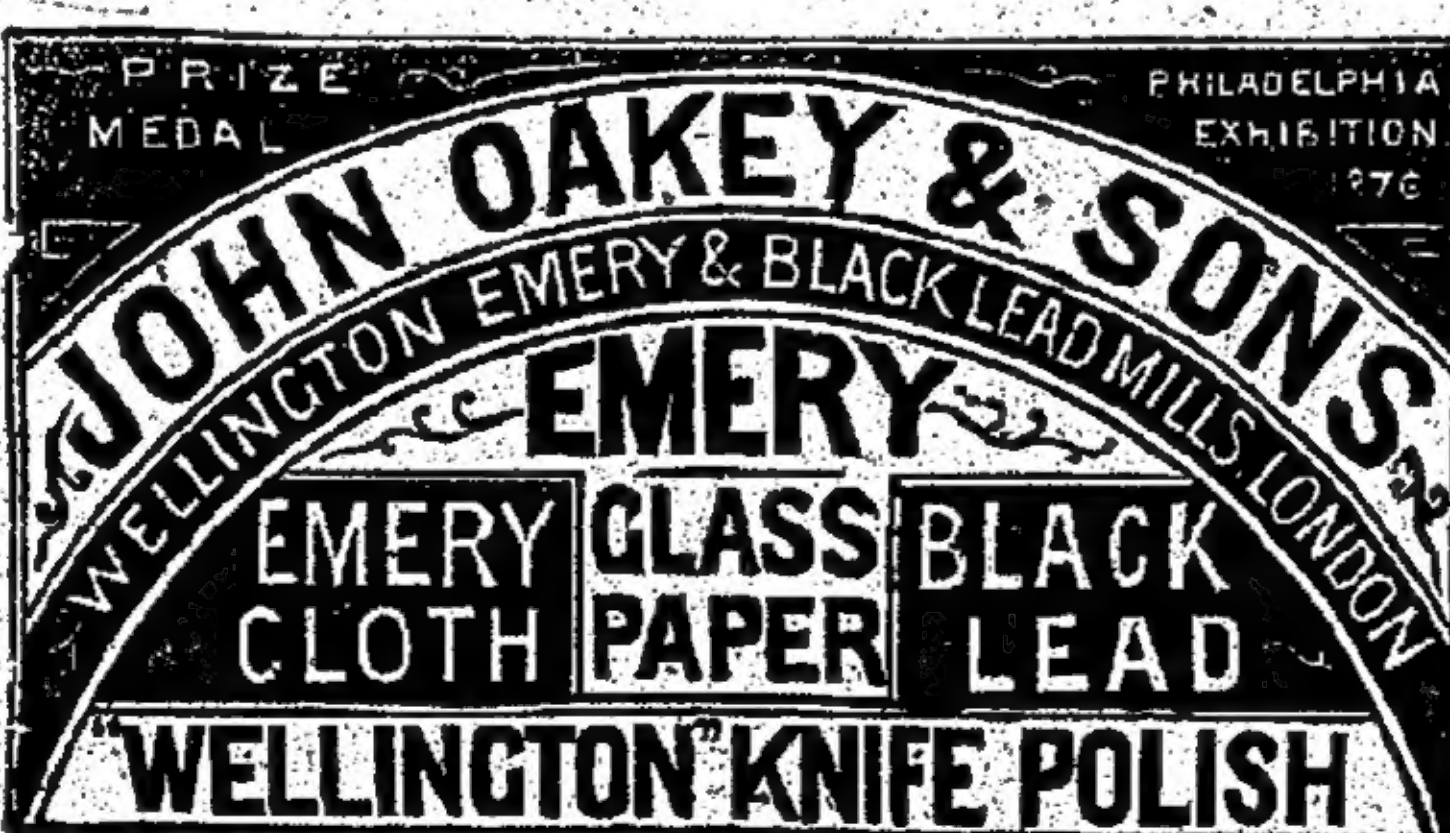
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Consul General J. J. Leiria said:—My Lord Bishop, ladies and gentlemen—I appear before you this afternoon in an entirely novel role, for it is not often that a consular official combines with his duties those of a principal of a school as I have been asked to act for once to-day. The modern conception of the occupier of a consular incumbency is, however, not only that of the representative of his country in that to which he is accredited, but also that of a commercial agent, an intelligent, energetic, and in short, that of a Jack-of-all-trades, under which latter denomination that also, I suppose, of a school-master. Not that I suppose it is believed a consul possesses the omniscience of the Gods, but like most people with whom nature has been bountiful in her disposition of the gift of vanity, I imagine with the aid of difficulty of a sense of modesty arrogate to themselves a certain prominence in public functions to which they may not justly have a claim. My want of modesty I suppose is responsible for the eagerness with which I seized upon this occasion to appear in my present role when I was approached to present to you the first public annual report of the Victoria Anglo-Portuguese school. That report which furnishes interesting reading from an educational point of view is submitted by the headmistress of the school Mrs D. A. Cordeiro. With your permission I have pleasure in reading it.

The report was as follows:—
Started in 1883 by the late Mr Claudio J. da Silva with Mrs Silva as assistant the Victoria Anglo-Portuguese school enrolled three names on the inaugural day twenty-five years ago. After carrying on the school which was designed primarily for children of Portuguese parents, for a few years Mrs Silva, wife of the founder died.

Whereupon Mr Silva left the Colony and the school passed under new management in 1880 with 30 pupils on the roll. By this time application had been made for the school to be recognised as one of the grant schools under Government supervision, and has continued to remain so since then. In 1903 Miss C. M. Noronha who was at the time principal assistant of the school, succeeded as headmistress, who, in turn handed it over to her sister, Mrs D. A. Cordeiro, who remains in that capacity assisted by Miss Lopes as teacher of the infant school. From 27 pupils in 1902 the enrolment gradually increased until it reached 78 in 1908 and stands today at 85, the maximum number which the available floor space of the school is capable of accommodating. Later applications for admission have been refused to be refused. The number of school days in 1908 was 224 with an average attendance 61.71. The subjects taught are those prescribed by the Government grant-in-aid code; the classes range from the first to the fifth standards inclusive. English is the medium of instruction. In the infant school however the pupils attending who enter with knowledge of no other language excepting Portuguese, the latter is used as the medium until a more advanced course is reached. In 1908, 72 pupils were presented for the Inspector of Schools' annual examination and the school was again returned as "thoroughly efficient."

The Inspector's report is satisfactory that in the school's highest standard, namely, class V, 96 per cent of marks was obtained in a subject of such commercial value as arithmetic. That class was also reported as "very good" in colloquial English. While regretting the noise which has formed the subject of comment by the Inspector it has to be noted that the very limited accommodation militates against the possibility of a better exercise of discipline so essential and eminently desirable in every school organization. Having regard however to the smallness of the fee charged to the scholars, the cost of house rent, in a suitable location for a school, it is comparatively prohibitive to the management without having to resort to higher fees, which in the majority of cases would be beyond the means of parents to pay. Another much felt want is the absence of a small yard as a playground for the children. A half-acre was presented by this school for the hygiene competition held by the Government in December. This school was bracketed first in the aggregate percentage of marks but owing to the absence of the full complement of competitors the school was not awarded the shield. Maria Remedios' paper was awarded 75.7 per cent of marks; it was listed first by the examiner, Dr. William Pearson, in the half term presented by the school. Acknowledgments are due from the management and staff to the following donors to the prize list:—Right Rev. Bishop D. Pozzoni, special prize for Christian doctrine; Mrs J. J. Leiria, special prize for hygiene; committee of the Club Lusitano: Messrs Noronha and Co., L. Noronha, J. M. E. Machado, C. O. Cordeiro, Ho Wing, J. M. de Castro Basto, C. Noronha, A. J. M. Gomes, H. J. M. de Castro, J. A. Cordeiro, C. F. Cordeiro, E. J. de Figueiredo, F. P. de V. Silva, F. Noronha, C. Silva, E. Silva.

Silva, J. M. Noronha, E. J. Noronha, D. A. Cordeiro, A. E. Silva, J. M. Place da Silva, Mr Ho Fook, Mr Chao Leep Chue, and many friends who desire to remain anonymous.

The Inspector of Schools' report stated that this school was thoroughly efficient and recommended a grant of 35/-.

Proceeding Consul General Leiria said:—Ladies and gentlemen—As you have heard the report presents a very satisfactory record of another year of useful work and continued progress amongst the little children attending the Victoria Anglo-Portuguese school. It is a happy coincidence that on the twenty-fifth year of its existence, the year of its Silver Jubilee, the school should make, if the term is not inapplicable, its public debut, in such an auspicious manner. I allude firstly to the fact that for two years in succession the Inspector of Schools, who I am glad to see had done the school in particular and the community in general, the honour of associating this function with his presence this afternoon, has returned the Victoria Anglo-Portuguese school as "thoroughly efficient." Secondly that the school has obtained the distinction of being bracketed first in the hygiene competition instituted by a former Governor of Hongkong, that in that competition conducted by an independent officer of the Government, Miss Maria Remedios headed the list in her team with 75.71 per cent of marks, being followed by Miss Adelaide Remedios and Miss Lillia Rodrigues with 60 and 46 marks respectively out of a maximum of 70. Special prizes have been received for presentation to these young ladies to-day. Lastly, I congratulate the school upon the interest which is evidenced in the excellent work it is performing by the large and distinguished gathering of parents and friends of the pupils whom I see gathered here to-day in a desire to further the laudable cause of the promotion of education amongst the young. I have just made allusion to the celebration of the school's Silver Jubilee. That takes me to a brief retrospect of the history of this school. The occasion is not inopportune for a short retrospective sketch of the institution founded by a Portuguese graduate with its first scholars, three Portuguese children, continued after his death by a Portuguese lady and since conducted and managed by another Portuguese lady with an assistant.

The late Mr Claudio J. da Silva, who graduated in the Portuguese University of Coimbra, conceived the idea in 1884 of starting a school wherein the Portuguese and English languages should be taught the children simultaneously. He commenced with 30 pupils, the maximum number at the time. The school's programme never aimed higher instruction than what may be described as that obtaining in an English grammar school. Like most institutions, the school has had its vicissitudes, and upon the departure of Mr Silva from the Colony in 1889 the attendance fell off to 30, the school having then been taken under the wing, so to speak, of the paternal care of the Colonial Government thereby becoming eligible for the annual grant-in-aid. In 1902 it passed under the present administration and, with the fostering assistance of the grants, it entered upon a new lease of life until last year when it registered the highest number of pupils, viz. 85, with an average attendance of 61.71. This is the highest number admissible with the present limited accommodation. Applicants I am informed, had to be refused.

One regrettable feature connected with the original object and scope of the school is the dropping out of the Portuguese language from the curriculum. It is just possible the evolution of the code which regulates the grant system is responsible for the apparent indifference to the Portuguese mother tongue, but its importance is such, as one of the branches of the Latin languages, that it cannot afford to be ignored if only as a very material help to the acquisition of the English language whose commercial value is so universally recognised. It has been urged on behalf of the management of the school that it has small pretensions and does not aim at higher things than the equipping of the young children with that elementary knowledge of the English language, the Four Rules, and the rudiments of the other subjects of instruction prescribed by the Government code, so as to qualify them for immediate admission into the schools with a higher programme. That this aim has been fully attained is matter of congratulation in that some of its past pupils succeeded admirably in the institutions of which this formed and continues to act as a sort of feeder. Moreover, when the Victoria Anglo-Portuguese School can

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My allusion to the Officials brings to mind the obligation which I am asked to express to Mr. Wolfe in honouring the first public distribution of prizes of the Victoria Anglo-Portuguese School with his presence. The management did not feel encouraged to approach His Excellency the Governor to present the prizes, having regard to the fact that Sir Frederick can have but few moments to spare from the exigencies of his official duties, and also owing to the regrettable illness of Lady Lugard. In the absence of the Governor, the Inspector of Schools is appropriately the most fitting representative. For one so thoroughly sympathetic with the educational movement of the Colony, as our present Inspector of Schools has shown himself to be, to be associated with to-day's ceremony is an honour which the Portuguese community fully appreciates and for which I take great pleasure in thanking Mr. Wolfe.

I am asked also to thank Your Lordship Bishop Pozzoni, the Reverend Fathers, and you Ladies and Gentlemen, for your presence and for the lively interest in the school which it betokens. Before resuming my seat I am under orders by my wife to make an announcement. It is to the effect that Mrs. Leiria desires to mark the special pleasure which has given her to be present here to-day, by offering a prize to Miss Maria Remedios, the young lady who ranked first in the hygiene competition. You have heard that that competition was instituted by a former Governor of Hongkong, and Mrs. Leiria will feel grateful to Mr. Wolfe if Miss Maria Remedios will step forward and receive at the hands of the Governor's representative the prize offered as a reward of her merit. I feel sure a few remarks from Mr. Wolfe upon the present occasion will be listened to with much pleasure by one and all here present. (Loud applause.)

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Transfer Books of China Provident Loan
and Mortgage Co., Ltd., close from this
date to 6th Feb., inclusive.General Memoranda.
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ture, at 54, Morrison Hill Road.
9 p.m.—Concert of P. P. P. in City Hall.
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this date subject to rent.WEDNESDAY, February 3:
Register of Shares of Kowloon Land and
Building Co., Ltd., close from this
date to 9th Feb., inclusive.SATURDAY, February 6:
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vident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd., at
Co.'s Offices.
Goods per Prinz-Regent undelivered after
this date subject to rent.MONDAY, February 8:
Transfer Books of Hongkong & Whampoa
Dock Co., Ltd., close from this date to
22nd Feb., inclusive.TUESDAY, February 9:
Meeting of Kowloon Land and
Building Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Offices.WEDNESDAY, February 10:
Meeting of Hongkong & Whampoa
Dock Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Offices.

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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 1909.

MODERN GERMANY.

It goes almost without saying that
modern Germany has afforded many
startling surprises during the past
twenty-five years. Within the memory
of living men a congeries of petty states
occupying one of the poorest endowed
portions of the European continent have
been welded into the leading military
power of the Occident, while from being
an uncertain quantity in the Concert of
Europe she has acquired as the result of
this cohesion a predominant voice in
international affairs. And if her military
and political development has been
phenomenal the advance in commerce
and wealth-producing industrialism has
been equally striking. It was but
natural under the circumstances that
many misconceptions should have arisen
in the minds of outsiders concerning the
new giant Power of Central Europe, and
equally natural that Germany should
resent her aims, aspirations and methods
being so grossly misrepresented as they
have been in the newspaper press of her
neighbours. But the era of misunder-
standing we believe is passing away.
Deputations for the purposes of inves-
tigation and enquiry have been fre-
quently passing of late between Great
Britain and Germany, and the men and
women who have taken part in these
international exchanges of courtesy and
goodwill have done much in both
countries to let in more light. Mutual
benefit has therefore resulted. It is noteasy members of parliament and burgo-
mesters, we are glad to say, who have
endeavoured to make Germany unstand-
able to the English people. Working-
men themselves have gone over to see
how things really are in the Fatherland.
Just recently, for instance, five textile
workers in the Heavy Woollen District of
Yorkshire were sent across the North
Sea to inquire into the conditions of
work in the textile trade in Germany.
Their trip was most instructive as well
as disillusioning. As one of their
number, writing to the London Standard
says, the commission went to Germany
with the preconceived notion that the
textile operative there works harder and
longer than the English and for less
money. They found that, whilst he does
sweat at the mill on Saturday afternoon, he
works very little overtime, and that he
goes about his business in a far more
leisurely fashion than an operative
does in a Yorkshire mill. The
"brow-beaten, down-trodden" Teu-
ton turns out to be a happy, con-
tented fellow, who is nursed when he is
ill, provided with sick pay, pensioned
when he is no longer able to work
(whether he is 25 or 60), and provided
with an old age pension when his
working days are over. The "poor,
heavily taxed" German is actually
paying less money in municipal and
imperial taxes and to the sick, invalid,
and old age pension funds than many a
working man in Yorkshire pays in local
rates alone. It is a fact, also, that in
the German textile towns visited by
the deputation there are no slums; no
destitute, barefooted hairs; no honest
poor sobbing their hearts out in
workhouses; no genuine workmen seek-
ing employment, which is not to be
found. In Germany they found that the
conditions of the workers are being
vastly improved at the expense of a
comparatively new industry; whilst in
Free Trade Yorkshire, the heart of the
woollen cloth trade, wages are falling,
employment is less certain, and the cost
of living is increasing. Nobody denies
in Germany that the textile industry
there owes its growth to Protection; German
Free Traders merely argue that the
country would be better off if
tariffs were abolished, even if the textile
trade were ruined.The first surprise we met with was
the entire absence of "hustle" in the
factories. The German worker, on the
average, does less work than an
employee in the Heavy Woollen Dis-
trict of Yorkshire, by 10 or 20 per cent.
A greater number of hands are placed
on the machines than in North of
England factories, and yet the German
output is less than the English. We
expected that in a year which has
witnessed so much trade depression in
Germany, as elsewhere, we should find
a good deal of unemployment. But in
the woollen centres we visited we sought
in vain for "out-of-works." The
manufacturers are not so busy as they
were in 1906 and 1907, but their mills
are running full time. Even in Greater
Berlin, where the unemployed problem
calls for most attention, a special
census shows that only 1.3 of the
population are out of work.That the position of the German
textile worker has undergone a great
change for the better we are able to
testify. In some cases his hours of
labour have been reduced to 59 per
week, wages have risen, and the stan-
dard of comfort has materially increased.
The factory conditions are, generally
speaking, better than those of the North
of England, and if a worker falls ill or
is injured he receives sick pay, whilst
should his incapacity exceed 20 weeks
he receives an invalid pension. Every
worker in receipt of not more than
£100 a year is compelled to insure, and
the benefits received are having a most
favourable effect upon the community.
Thrift and self-help are inculcated,
and neither a sick man nor an injured
worker is allowed to fall into a destitute
condition. Every provision is made
for the protection of life and limb in
the factory, hygienic laws are enforced,
and when the worker falls sick no
expense is spared in order to bring
about his restoration to health. In theGerman factories, in nearly every case,
there is far more working space for the
employees than in our Yorkshire mills.
The people are more comfortably
accommodated, they have easier tasks
to perform, they seem happy and
contented. In physique both the men
and women compare most favourably
with our own people, and all the people
look well nourished. Again has it
been forced upon our notice that the
German operative does not kill himself
with work in order to live. He plods
along cheerfully, from morn till eve,
but spends his evenings outside the
factory and not inside."This report, coming as it does from
hard-headed, canny Yorkshire opera-
tives, will undoubtedly cause consider-
able discussion at home. It will give
a very different impression of the con-
ditions prevailing in German industrial
life than have hitherto been prevalent
in England. If it arouses the English
workman to adopt some of the German
methods so much the better, for that
there is room for great reform has long
been apparent to the more thoughtful
members of the working classes. The
chief difficulty was where to start in.
This small commission has secured
several good notions and no doubt in
time they will endeavour to utilise them
to remedy the ills around them. On
the whole we imagine that Englishmen
now clearly perceive that German com-
mercial success has been achieved by
steady and conscientious work and
above all, by the application of trained
intelligence to the business of life. The
lesson which she teaches is for anyone
to read who chooses. Will the working
men of England have the rare, good
sense to apply the moral to themselves
and by setting their own house in
order recover some of the ground which
they have lost to rivals who started
much later in the industrial race!

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Dr Jordan, in Friday's bulletin, states
that Lady Lugard remains in about the
same condition since the last report, but
with a tendency towards improvement.His Excellency the Governor has been
pleased to recognise Mr Gaston Ernest
Liebert, Consul for France, as being in
charge of the Spanish Consulate in Hong-
kong until further notice.The report of the prize distribu-
tion by Madame Leiris, in connection
with the Victoria Anglo-Portuguese School,
on the occasion of the silver jubilee of the
school, will be found on pages 2 and 3.Sir Felix Schuster, speaking last week
in the City of London, said the causes of
the dislocation of business were disappearing.
He anticipated a revival in the near future.
The ever-growing production of gold was a
factor that must not be overlooked.It is notified in the Gazette that salt
may be exported in bond and without pay-
ment of duty from India to Hongkong
under certain regulations drawn up by the
Government of India, which may be seen
at the office of the Colonial Secretary.The circus is still retaining its
popularity, and the tent is crowded at
matinee and evening performances. This
is the reward of providing a uniform ex-
cellence in the choice of the programmes
which are put before the public. Another
change of programme is announced for
Monday night next so that patrons may
look forward to seeing something very
good.In the Gazette appears a statement of
receipts into and payments out of the Hong-
kong Treasury from 1st January to 30th
November, 1908. This shows that the period
started with a balance in hand of \$993,541.53,
which, with other items, brought the total
receipts to \$19,225,844.92 while the expendi-
ture was \$19,166,889. The balance at the
end of November was therefore
\$58,954.91.

CLAIM UNDER A CONTRACT.

At the Supreme Court, on Friday, Mr
Justice Gompertz, gave judgment for the
defendants, in an action in which Chung
San Wa sued the Lun Chai Co., for the
balance due under a contract. Mr Leo
D'Almeida, Counsel for Messrs Goldring,
Barlow and Morrell, appeared for the
plaintiffs, and Mr Crowther Smith of Messrs
D'Almeida and Smith defended.After hearing evidence for both parties
and the arguments of their respective sol-
icitors judgment was given on the ground
that the contract, having been made be-
tween the plaintiff and Chai Kom Fui, a
partner in the defendant firm, the defend-
ants were not liable under it. His Lord-
ship held that the correspondence "shop"
of the defendant firm placed on the docu-
ment was not sufficient to render them liable
under it, as it was the general custom of
this firm to use their money "shop" on
contracts.

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grocers.ANNEXATION OF THE
CONGO.GERMANY ACQUIRES
GREAT BRITAIN DIS-
SATISFIED.(Reuter's Service to the China Mail;
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Ordinance 5 of 1904)
London, January 30.Much public attention has been ex-
cited by the announcement that Ger-
many has recognised the annexation of
the Congo, which she regards as a do-
mestic question for Belgium to decide.
The Times regrets that this has been
done, while Sir Edward Grey is pressing
for information from Belgium regarding
the steps which it is proposed to take to
remedy the abuses and to settle the
question of native rights, which Great
Britain considers is indispensable to
secure effective reform.AN OPIUM-SMOKING
OFFICIAL.(Wah Te Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, Jan. 29.
H. E. Liang Tau-yin, President of the
Board of Foreign Affairs, has been
denounced by a certain high official for
opium-smoking. He, however, was
absolved from blame on the joint
entreaty of Grand Councillors Lui
Chuan-Lin and Na Tung.TO ASSIST THE
VICEROYS.(Wah Te Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, Jan. 29.
The Prince Regent proposes to in-
crease the sums allowed the various
Viceroys in order that they may ade-
quately discharge the duties of their
high offices.THE IMPEACHMENT OF
CHAN PIK.(Wah Te Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, January 29.
The report of their Excellencies Shun
Ka-nai, Chang Chih-tung and Na Tung,
who were directed to make an inquiry
into the truth of the statements contain-
ed in a memorial accusing Chan Pik,
President of the Board of Communica-
tions of corruption, is said to be un-
favourable and it is expected that Chan
Pik will be duly dealt with.FURTHER DENUNCIA-
TIONS.(Wah Te Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, January 29.
Chang Chih-tung is the latest high
official to be denounced by the Censors.
Chang Pin, Chief Commander of the
troops, is said to be implicated.PREFERRMENT FOR TANG
SHAO-YI.(Wah Te Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, January 29.
The Governorship of Fengtien has
been abolished and it is expected that
Tang Shao-yi, the present holder of the
office, will, on his return from America
and Europe, be appointed a metropolitan
official.

CENTRALIZATION.

(Wah Te Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, January 29.
The Prince Regent has resolved that
from henceforth Peking shall really
be the administrative centre of the
Empire.FROM A NOVA SCOTIA PUBLISHER
MR H. G. Harris, publisher of the
Advertiser, Kentville, N.S., makes
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BRITAIN AND GERMANY.

MISUNDERSTANDINGS "UN-
WORTHY OF GREAT
NATIONS."(Exclusive Service supplied by Reuter,
via Bombay.)
LONDON, January 29.A communique emanating from Court
circles in Berlin expresses the hope that
the visit of King Edward to Germany
will dissipate the misunderstandings
which existed and which were unworthy
of great nations. It emphasises the fact
that Great Britain has become great by
pursuing an egoistical policy and that
it is Germany's equal right and duty to
do the same. The message further urges
the two nations to follow their monarchs'
example and grasp each other's hands
sincerely and honestly.GUNSLAYING IN THE
BRITISH NAVY.(Reuter's Service to the China Mail;
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Ordinance 5 of 1894.)
LONDON, January 29.The return of the British Navy
gunslaying tests show that the China
Squadron leads the way, being followed
by the Channel Fleet, the Cape of Good
Hope Squadron, the Atlantic Fleet, and
the Mediterranean Fleet, in the order
given. There was a marked improve-
ment all round. The highest achieve-
ment was secured by the cruiser H.M.S.
Good Hope.JAPANESE IN CALI-
FORNIA.(Reuter's Service to the China Mail;
Copyright protected under
Ordinance 5 of 1894.)
LONDON, January 29.A Bill has been introduced in the
California Legislature providing for the
appropriation of \$10,000 in order to
gather data as to the number of Japanese
in California.QUEEN MARGHERITA
TO VISIT JAPAN.(Reuter's Service to the China Mail;
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Ordinance 5 of 1894.)
LONDON, January 30.Queen Margherita, of Italy, is going
to Japan shortly. She takes with her
a motor car.NEW BISHOP OF
BORNEO.(Reuter's Service to the China Mail;
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LONDON, January 30.The Rev. Robert Monney has been
appointed Bishop of Borneo, which
henceforth will be separated from Singa-
pore, which becomes a separate diocese.FROM A NOVA SCOTIA PUBLISHER
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ITEMS AT THE COURT.

A sailor named A. Brierley, of H. M. S. Fame, was fined \$2 at the Magistrate's Court, today, for assaulting a rickshaw coolie. It appeared that defendant was coming from the race course when the coolie tripped him up and defendant assaulted complainant.

Six natives were brought up at the Magistrate's Court, this morning, on a charge of breaking and entering three houses at Cheung-shui-wan, having in their possession a revolver, and with using personal violence besides stealing clothing and jewellery to the value of \$350. The case was remanded.

DEATH OF MR. T. S. REILLY.

The death occurred at the Government Civil Hospital at one o'clock this morning, of Mr. Thomas Reilly, chief engineer of the Yuet Han railway, Canton. Deceased, who was only 38 years of age, had made many friends during his residence in the East and they will hear of his early death with great regret. The funeral takes place to-morrow morning, passing the monument at 9.25 o'clock.

TURF TOPICS.

Today at the Valley the dawn broke nice and clear, but somewhat cold and frosty. There was again the usual large number of week-end visitors, with the addition of some new faces, including Mr. Mody. Both courses were in use, and a good morning's work was done. The Derby points are being very closely watched, but so far I have not yet heard the yearly prognostications as to the winner. Too early, I expect. Most of the various Club's sweeps are now out, and judging from the number of names on these I have already seen I should think the sweeps will be well filled before the 16th of next month. The appearances at the enclosure look spik and span in their new paint, and with the few weeks to go yet everything should be in splendid order. Mr. Thomas Hough, the genial Clerk of the Course, is in daily attendance, which is sufficient guarantee of every detail being looked into.

The following were the times taken:—

OLD POINTS.
Seaford, one mile and a quarter, (c) 38, 1.14, 1.53, 2.30, 3.04.
Gisler, one mile and three-quarters, last mile and a half, (c) 37, 1.15, 1.52, 2.30, 3.03, 3.45.
Resignation, half mile, (c) 35, 1.05, 1.40, 2.10, 2.40.
Scudon, one mile and three-quarters, (c) 39, 1.15, 1.48.
Dublois Rose, one mile and a quarter, last three quarters, (c) 33, 1.00, 1.31.
Spring Rose, one mile and a half, (c) 39, 1.17, 1.52, 2.27, 3.04, 3.34.
Sturup Cup, one mile and three-quarters, (c) 44, 1.29, 2.07, 2.42, 3.02, 3.33.
Double Zero, one mile and a quarter, last mile, (c) 34, 1.04, 1.34, 2.04.
Feiho, one mile and a quarter, last mile, (c) 34, 1.11, 1.45, 2.18.
Concomb, one mile, last three quarters, (c) 33, 1.00, 1.41.
Banthorne, one mile and a quarter, last mile, 36, 1.13, 1.50, 2.24.
Ardpatrick, one mile, last three quarters, (c) 35, 1.12, 1.46.
Herald, one mile and a quarter, last mile, (c) 35, 1.13, 1.45, 2.13.
Kirkwood, one mile and a quarter, last mile, (c) 33, 1.08, 1.43, 2.10.
Posidon, one mile and a quarter, last mile, 1.11, 1.47, 2.22, 2.55.
DERBY CRIPPLES.
Achilles, one mile and three quarters, (c) 43, 1.22, 1.57, 2.31, 3.07, 3.44, 4.19.
Apollo, one mile and three quarters, (c) 42, 1.21, 1.57, 2.32, 3.08, 3.43, 4.16.
Strathdallas, one mile and three quarters, (c) 38, 1.19, 2.0, 2.37, 3.15, 3.55, 4.37.
Rave d'Or Rose, one mile and a quarter, (c) 34, 1.05, 1.42, 2.18, 2.49.
Little Glen Rose, one mile, (c) 40, 1.14, 1.52, 2.25.
Snowflake Rose, one mile and a quarter, last mile, (c) 35, 1.13, 1.51, 2.23.
Guth, one mile, last three quarters, (c) 34, 1.06, 1.41.
Missouri, one mile and three quarters, (c) 44, 1.29, 2.11, 2.42, 3.19, 3.40.
Volga, one mile and a quarter, (c) 34, 1.10, 1.50, 2.23, 3.01.
Dieter, one mile, (c) 37, 1.14, 1.53, 2.25, 2.59.
Guth, one mile and a quarter, last mile, (c) 34, 1.07, 1.47, 2.18.
Cattstock, one mile and a half, (c) 3.31, last quarter 33.
Fennie, one mile last three quarters, (c) 38, 1.10, 1.44.

SUBSCRIPTION GRIFTERS.
Constant and Bagli Dus, one mile, (c) 34, 1.07, 1.45, 2.10.
Macswire, one mile, last three quarters, (c) 33, 1.11, 1.46.
Swan, one mile and a quarter, (c) 33, 1.10, 1.51, 2.27, 2.59.
Gumuck, one mile and a quarter, last mile, (c) 35, 1.13, 1.49, 2.22.
Teddott, one mile and a quarter, last mile, (c) 37, 1.13, 1.54, 2.32.
Kamran, one mile, (c) 35, 1.09, 1.44, 2.13.
Kiaton, one mile and a half, last mile and a quarter, (c) 41, 1.15, 1.55, 2.34, 3.11, 3.45.
Little Dot Rose, one mile, (c) 37, 1.12, 1.49, 2.24.
Barry, one mile, (c) 39, 1.16, 1.50, 2.29.
Seraph, and Hourhand, half mile, (c) 33, 1.07.
Gambler, one mile, last half, (c) 37, 1.09.
Highland Ladie, one mile and a quarter, (c) 39, 1.16, 1.51, 2.24, 3.05.
Regret, three quarters, last half, (c) 37, 1.09.
Blueness, one mile, (c) 37, 1.17, 1.57, 2.31.
Buckner, one mile and a quarter, (c) 36, 1.12, 1.49, 2.27, 3.03.
Hercules and Hippomedon, one mile and a quarter, (c) 35, 1.11, 1.47, 2.24, 2.59.
Drochkegall, one mile, (c) 2.23.
Steehmill, one mile and three quarters, last mile and a half, (c) 45, 1.22, 2.0, 2.39, 3.16, 3.52.
Sturdy and Bystander, half mile, (c) 32, 1.04.
Astoria, one mile and a quarter, last mile, (c) 34, 1.08, 1.47, 2.21.
White Knight, one mile, (c) 38, 1.05, 1.43, 2.16.

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SPORTING.

Bowling.

On Thursday and Friday evenings a bowling match was contested between British and Germans when the latter won by 281 points. On Friday evening the British players were entertained by their opponents at the Club Germania.

The scores were:—

GERMAN TEAM.	SCORES.
P. Kaprayn	1425
A. Bunsen	1211
J. Rinken	1209
F. Heldt	1217
C. Schroeder	1223
S. Orkopp	1378
G. Thun	1103
I. A. Meyer	1187
BRITISH TEAM.	SCORES.
J. A. Jupp	1397
C. Gale	1230
M. Beattie	1314
Commander Ormsby	1236
R. E. Watt	1161
T. H. King	1080
D. K. Moss	1055
R. O. Hutchison	1191

Football.

MONMOUTH V. BEDFORD.

At Happy Valley on Friday evening these two teams met in the first round of the Hongkong Shield competition when, after an interesting game, the Monmouth beat the Bedford team by 2 goals to 1.

Rugby Football.

HONGKONG V. N. NAVY 8.

Very few spectators were present at Happy Valley on Friday evening when the Navy were opponents to representatives of the Hongkong team, no doubt owing to the coldness of the weather. The navy won the spin of the coin and at once made tracks for their opponent's right wing. Several scrums ensued and a rather weak endeavour to break away on the part of the home team was ably frustrated by Phillips, the navy custodian. The sailors continued to maintain the aggressive but their scoring propensities were rather cautious. A ruck was made through Linton, but his efforts proved of little avail and the ball was transferred to the opposite side of the field. For a long time play was very tame, no one being really conspicuous for any brilliant individual work until a scrum ensued behind the sailors' goal posts, when the Hongkongites tried hard to score. Tackling was somewhat vigorous and the formation of the scrums showed a considerable improvement to those on previous occasions. Although it was but rare that the ball was passed right through the scrum, this is one of the great points in rugby football which both teams would do well to give assiduous attention to, as it can't be considered playing the game properly when the ball only passes half-way through a scrum and out again. A good deal of mid-field play followed, and both teams gave a much better exhibition than during other matches this season, there being, with few exceptions, no change in either team. Half-time arrived without a single point being obtained.

After the change over the ball travelled to Phillips who instantly transferred it, and the scrum followed up the advantage thus gained. Their forwards were a trifle weak and ought to have done better while the navy three-quarters were nowhere. One objectionable practice, applicable to both teams, was that of the ball out of touch on almost every conceivable occasion which certainly "killed time" but was not conducive to the interest of the spectators. After a round of vigorous pressing the navy obtained a try which was easily converted, this being the opening of the scoring. The pace now became somewhat faster but again a good deal of time was wasted by the knocking out process, to be followed by a further spell of the same kind of thing. The sailors kept up the aggressive and were becoming dangerous, and a place kick being accorded to them, the ball was easily put over the bar. Then came a turn of smart passing by the Hongkong team which ought to have led to some beneficial result. Alas, it was not so. No further scoring took place and when time was called the score was as indicated.

Yachting.

In connection with the Hongkong Corinthian Yacht Club the following races will be contested to-morrow:—

5th Club Race, One-Design Class and Handicap Class.—Course: Lyceum Beacon (c) 37, Club Race (c) 38, 1.15, 1.50, 2.25, 3.00, 3.35, 4.10. Starting time, 9.15 a.m. Handicap Class, 10.30 a.m., One-Design Class, 10.45 a.m.

Maynard-Hays One-Design Class. 2nd Club Race.—Starting time, 10.55 a.m. Course: Same as other classes.

Motor Boat Section. 3rd Club Race. Starting time, 3 p.m. Course: From Club house, around Lyceum Beacon (starboard) and back to Club house.

Golf.

The first quarterly meeting was held between Saturday Jan. 23rd and Monday Jan. 24th, when the MacEwen and Beavis Cups were played for. The following cards were returned.

MAC EWEEN CUP.
+ Major Close ... 82-5=77
+ A. Ritchie ... 85-18=77
T. S. Forrest ... 85-17=78
E. C. Lane ... 85-17=78
L. Col. Dumbleton ... 85-17=78
G. N. Orme ... 85-14=81
R. P. Walker ... 85-14=82

BEAVIS CUP.
+ T. S. Forrest ... 85-17=78
+ M. A. Murray ... 85-17=78
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RAMBLING NOTES.

During the Chinese New Year several shooting parties left the Colony, one party going as far as Swatow. Various reports have reached me as to the bags which were got, but these I will pass over as being gossip. On most reliable authority I hear that good sport was got, though in some places the birds were rather wild.

Within the last two weeks I have noticed that no less than three members of the Hongkong Civil Service have gone into retirement, two in the old country and the other in Hongkong. In their various walks of life while in the Colony all three were held in the highest esteem by those with whom they had any dealings, both professionally and socially, and strange to say all three were pillars of the one house—the Supreme Court.

Hongkong Churchmen have never had the name in the past of being parsimonious and it was therefore with some surprise that I read Mr. Hancock's statement regarding St. John's Cathedral, finance. Of course we have all felt the pinch of hard times lately and have had to deny ourselves many little pleasures and forego many a before-time luxury, but surely we need not draw the line at Church subscriptions yet awhile. I do hope that with returning prosperity the Cathedral funds will benefit and that the Organ repairs, which at present languish very sadly, will also not be forgotten. When we have set matters right with the Church we can begin to think of resuming the luxuries and pleasures of yesterday; that is if we have still any yearning left for them. But get ready! I had when I have once made up my mind to deny myself anything I can very well get on without it altogether. So after all the pot wasn't so very far wrong when he lifted.

Man wants but little here below, Nor wants that little long— So let us fund up while we may For the good works of Hongkong.

I was very pleased, Mr. Editor, to see the letter which appeared in your column the other night with reference to the Yamnati tragedy. The death of Lance-Sergeant Wells as the result of being shot by one of a gang of robbers has stirred the Colony very deeply. Your correspondent, evidently had the courage of his opinion, and was not afraid to express them. There was one point however, he did not touch upon as he might have done, as that to my mind is the one which has, in a great measure, been responsible for a good deal of the robbery and lesser burglaries which have taken place in the Colony within the last year. I refer to the sentences which have been passed at the Magistrate's Court from time to time in cases of robbery and similar crimes. What does imprisonment in a Hongkong jail mean to men who are accustomed to dodge from pillar to post in an attempt to escape the meshes of the law? Nothing. For them it is simply more or less a life of comparative ease, with plenty to eat and some where to sleep in comfort and security. It is a well-known fact that the lenient sentences which have rewarded (that is really the most proper term to use in this context) this class of criminals in Hongkong have been instrumental in making the Colony a safe harbour, a veritable Alcatraz, for these men. Many of these sturdy vagabonds have fled from the north where they cannot, with any impunity, carry on the business of highway robbery. It is also well known that various Chinese pawnshops in the Colony are used as repositories where stolen goods can be received without much trouble being taken as to where the stuff comes from. When such a state of things exists it is no wonder that robberies take place, and until such time as the authorities take a firmer hold of the reins so will the Colony be infested with the scum of Canton and the off-scourings of the north.

Patience has its own reward they say, though I doubt if it is always what might be termed satisfactory. The other week I wrote a paragraph on the Interport football match in which I said some explanation was required as to the reason for the inability of the Colony to send a team to Shanghai. That explanation has now been forthcoming, for I notice a letter from the Secretary of the Hongkong Football Club setting forth the reasons for the Club's inability to raise a team for Shanghai. He says, "The invitation was from Club to Club, and the term of Interport is a misnomer." This explanation does not quite agree with what appeared in the Shanghai papers, from which I take the following:—

A cablegram received from the Secretary of the Hongkong Football Club by Rev. E. O. Winning of the Shanghai Football Club upset all arrangements by announcing that the Hongkong team would not be able to travel. No reason was contained in the wire, but the Secretary added a couple of words saying that he would write later. Mr. Winning said that when he was able to send up an eleven drawn from all the Hongkong Clubs, but a reply in the negative being received all hope of bringing off the match had to be abandoned.

From the above it will be seen that Shanghai did not resist their invitation to the Hongkong Football Club, and if their Secretary took it upon himself to reply on behalf of the other football clubs in the Colony, then I think he overstepped the mark altogether. It is also time for the Hongkong Football Club to recognize the fact that they are not the hub of the football world in Hongkong as they used to be in former years, consequently their action in the Interport affair is not likely to be soon forgotten, and will be remembered when next a team from Hongkong is invited by Shanghai. Altogether, I think the letter lacks that which it is intended to convey, namely, an explanation as to why a representative team could not be got to travel to Shanghai at the Chinese New Year.

Mr. Borell seconded and the motion was carried unanimously. The Chairman proposed the re-appointment of Mr. A. O'D. Gourdin as auditor. The Chairman—I have much pleasure in seconding the motion, and I take this opportunity of expressing my appreciation of his services, and of thanking him for the great assistance he has given to the Board of Directors.

The motion was carried unanimously. The Chairman—Thank you very much for your attendance, gentlemen. I think we can all hope for bright prospects in 1939.

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That was an extraordinary case in London the other day, when two Russian refugees held up a motor van conveying wages to a factory and then by the free use of their revolver and knife and injured nearly twenty others before being killed themselves. Those precious millions abused the generous hospitality which England so freely accords to political refugees as badly as the Tamiami robbers abused the peace and dignity of the British colony of Hongkong the other day. No wonder London was astounded. Such a tale has never before been told save by novelists who delight in depicting certain phases of criminal life.

I hear that there is quite a bad epidemic of measles among the children of the garrison. There is nothing to fear, of course, for measles only require attentive nursing and avoidance of chilly. To most children, I imagine, an attack of measles has few terrors, especially if it arrives when one is verging on those interesting years known as the "teens." I was twelve years old, I remember, when measles broke out at school and of course I couldn't let such a good thing go by. Accordingly I found myself quarantined in solitary state in the old day nursery, with plenty of decent books to amuse myself with. I had just begun to make the acquaintance of a certain Chester Dickens and as luck would have it, when the measles came along I had arrived at that part of the bookshelf where "Oliver Twist" found standing room. Oh, the joy of those dismal, undisturbed mornings, those long, quiet afternoons as I followed Oliver's adventures from Dotheboys Hall to Fagin's kitchen. Was I downhearted? No, there wasn't a happier lad in town than I, and I was genuinely sorry when I had once more to leave the sick room and take up again the common round, the trivial task of school work.

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COMPANY MEETING.

Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd.

The twenty-second ordinary meeting of shareholders of Messrs Campbell, Moore and Co., Ltd., was held at the general managers' office, second floor, 8, Des Voeux Road on Friday afternoon. Mr. A. F. Arvelli presided and there were present Messrs F. Ellis, (director); L. Borrelli, A. R. Ellis, A. S. Ellis and A. O'D. Gourdin.

The Chairman read the notice convening the meeting, and said:—Gentlemen, The report and accounts have been in your hands for some days, and, with your permission, they may be considered as read. We are very sorry that the account is so unfavorable. The result is attributed to competition, depression in trade and mismanagement by the last manager. Since the middle of 1937 and the whole of last year every effort has been made to reduce the stock. The accounts for the year 1938 will be ready very shortly. By the time of the meeting to pass those accounts I think the general manager will be able to give you a better idea of our prospects. The mismanagement of our former secretary and manager has been explained to you before, gentlemen, so it is hardly necessary that I should recapitulate. If there is any other matter that you require explained, I shall do my best to enlighten you.

Mr. O'D. Gourdin said something inaudibly to which the Chairman replied—I don't think going into details would benefit anybody.

The Chairman proposed the adoption of the report and accounts, so proposed.

Mr. Borelli seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

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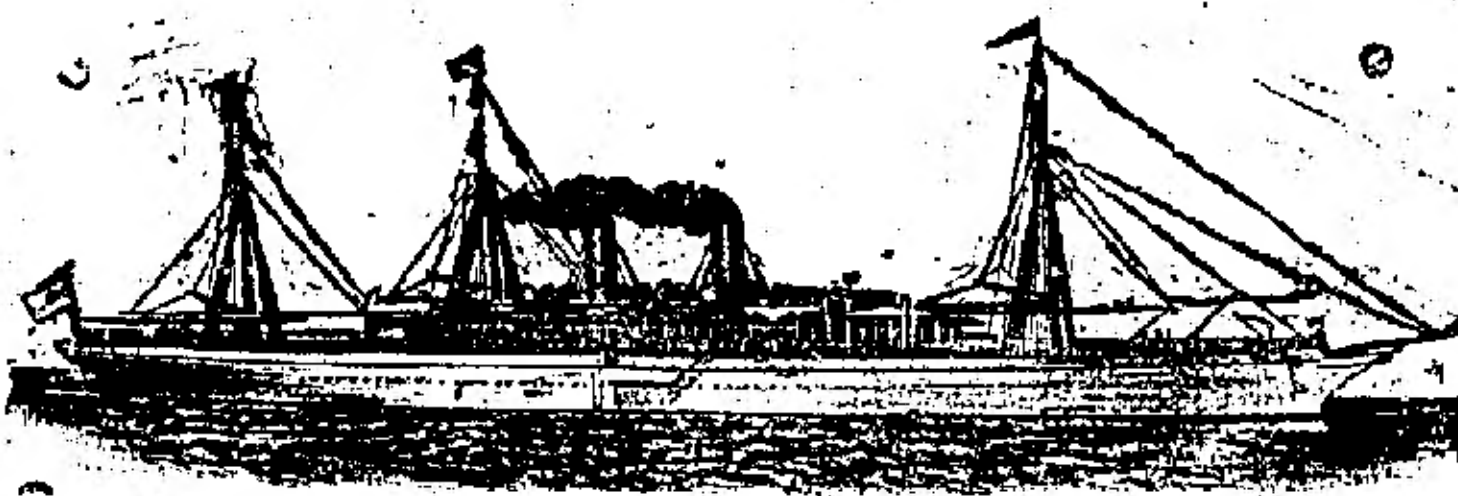
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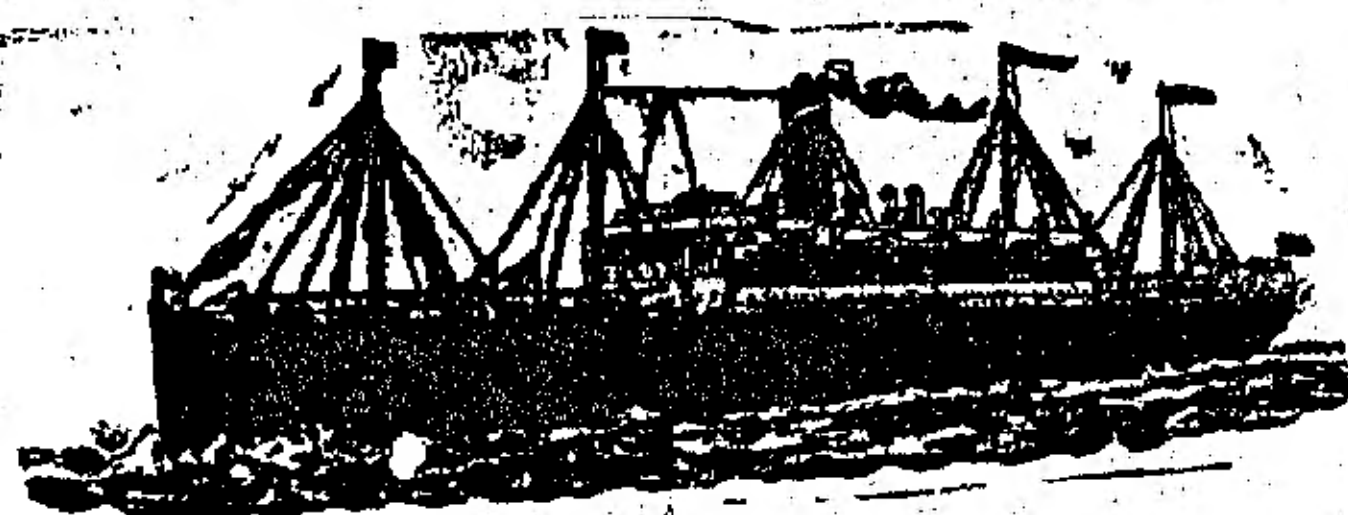
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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
NINGPO & OHINKANG	ICANG	Jan. 31, Daylight.
MANILA	TAMING	Feb. 2, at 3 p.m.
CEBU & ILOILO	KAIPO	Feb. 3, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	LIAN	Feb. 3, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	TEAN	Feb. 3, at 8 p.m.

MANILA, PT. DARWIN, ZAMBOANGA, THURSDAY BEARD, COCKTOWN, GARRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, with transhipment for TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND, ADELAIDE, FREMANTLE & PERTH.

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AUSTRALIAN STEAMERS have superior accommodation, with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the Staterooms and Dining Saloon.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
YOSHIN MARU, Capt. H. MURAYAMA	TAMING, Via SWATOW AND AMOY.	SUNDAY, 31st Jan., at 9 a.m.
BUJUN MARU, Capt. Y. FUKUO.	SHANGHAI, Via SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.	TUESDAY, 2nd Feb., at 8 a.m.
SHOSHU MARU, Capt. INCHI.	ANPING, Via SWATOW, AMOY.	WEDNESDAY, 3rd Feb., at 8 a.m.
DALIN MARU, Capt. I. SAKURAI.	TAMING, Via SWATOW AND AMOY.	SUNDAY, 7th Feb., at 5 a.m.

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T. ARIMA, Manager.

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FOR	STEAMERS	To SAIL
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERES, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMP, TON, ANTWERP & BREMEN	LUTZOW, Capt. O. Dewers.	WEDNESDAY, 10th Feb., at Noon.

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD, Capt. H. Kerschner.	SATURDAY, 30th Jan., at 5 p.m.
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MANILA, YAP, NEWGUINEA, SAMARAI, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE	PRINZ SIGISMUND, Capt. D. Lenz.	SATURDAY, 30th Jan., at 5 p.m.
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KUDAT AND SANDAKAN	BORNEO, Capt. F. Stabill.	TUESDAY, 2nd Feb., at 9 a.m.
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For further Particulars, apply to

Norddeutscher Lloyd, MELOHRS & CO., General Agents, Hongkong & China.

Shipping.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR	STEAMERS	To SAIL
SHANGHAI, Via WEL	CHEONGSHING	MONDAY, Feb. 1, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	POOHING	MONDAY, Feb. 1, at 3 p.m.
MANILA	YUENSANG	MONDAY, Feb. 1, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	HANGSANG	WEDNESDAY, Feb. 3, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	NAMSANG	THURSDAY, Feb. 4, at Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA	SUISANG	THURSDAY, Feb. 4, at 4 p.m.

FOR THE MANILA CARNIVAL—Feb. 2nd to 9th, 1909.

A Special reduced fare of \$50 for Return Passengers will be issued for our Sailings to Manila of the 29th January, and 5th February, available for 30 days from date of issue. Passengers taking out these tickets are exempt from the Head Tax.

* Steamers have superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

* Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Yangtze Ports, Choofoo, Tientsin & Newchiao.

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STEAMSHIP	FOR	LEAVING
HAIMUN	SWATOW.	MONDAY, 1st Feb., at Noon.
HAITAN, Capt. J. S. Rensch.	SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.	TUESDAY, 2nd Feb., at Noon.
HAICHING	SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.	FRIDAY, 5th Feb., at Noon.

For the convenience of Passengers, Steamers will arrive at, and depart from, the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier).

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Hongkong, November 17, 1908.

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EXTRA PASSENGER SERVICE NEW STEAMERS—EUROPEAN LINE.

FOR GENOA, MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, SUEZ AND PORT SAID.

THE Company's Newly Built 9000 Tons Passenger Steamers will be despatched from Hongkong as follows:-

Mishima Maru (Capt. A. E. Moore). About Wed., 10th Feb.

Miyasaki Maru () About Wed., 24th Mar.

Atsuta Maru () About Wed., 21st April.

CHEAPEST PASSAGE RATES TO EUROPE AND AROUND-THE-WORLD.

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Hongkong, December 30, 1908.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES, 1909.
MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, Via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.	KAWACHI MARU, Capt. H. Peterson, Tons 6101.	WEDNESDAY, 3rd Feb., at Daylight.
	SANUKI MARU, Capt. K. Homma, Tons 6112.	WEDNESDAY, 17th Feb., at Daylight.

VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, Via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA	* AKI MARU, Capt. J. Nagao, Tons 6444.	TUESDAY, 2nd Feb., at Noon.
	* ITO MARU, Capt. S. J. G. Parsons, Tons 6350.	TUESDAY, 16th Feb., at Noon.

SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, Via MANILA, THURS, DAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE.	YAWATA MARU, Capt. T. Sakino, Tons 3217.	FRIDAY, 19th Feb., at Noon.
	NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 5639.	FRIDAY, 19th Mar., at Noon.

KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	INABA MARU, Capt. Wm. Bainbridge, Tons 6189.	SATURDAY, 6th Feb., at Daylight.
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BOMBAY, Via SINGAPORE	WAKAMIYA MARU, Capt. T. Yamawaki, Tons 4421.	SUNDAY, 7th Feb., at Noon.
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NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	* Omitting Yokohama. * Cargo only.	WEDNESDAY, 17th Feb., at Noon.
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* Fitted with Marconi's System of wireless telegraphy.

* Through Passenger Tickets issued to the Principal Offices in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers. Round-the-World Tickets also issued. Between Nagasaki travelling by Rail.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, etc., apply at the Company's local Branch Office in Prince's Buildings, First Floor, Glass Road.

T. KUSUMOTO, Manager.

Hongkong, November 2, 1908.

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Hongkong, December 1, 1908.

Notices to Consignees.

MOGUL LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP GHAZEE.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st Feb. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underinsured on or before the 25th February, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 1st Feb., at 8 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countermanded by DUDWELL & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, January 25, 1909.

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BEN LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP BENLOUCH.

FROM MIDDLESBRO, ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd February will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underinsured on or before the 9th February, 1909, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 2nd February, at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countermanded by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 27, 1909.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship Lightning having arrived from the above-named Ports, consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from along-side.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed at once at Consignees' risk and expense. Cargo remaining on board after 2 p.m. of the 25th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

Consignees of cargo from Singapore and Penang are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from along-side, each cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countermanded by the Underinsured.

DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, January 27, 1909.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S STEAMER NORE.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon where each Consignment will be sorted out. Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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300 Gentlemen's Scarfs at 50 cents each (usual prices \$1.00 to \$2.25.)

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